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“They say all roads lead to Indiana. Indeed that is true.”

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Industry Overview

Each year, 724 million tons of freight travel through Indiana, making it the fifth busiest state for commercial freight traffic. With 14 federal highways, over 11,000 highway miles, 4,200 miles of Class I rail tracks, three ports on two important waterways, Indiana's public assets support any logistics-related enterprise. Everything from heavy commodities (barges and marine shipping, class I railroads) to finished goods (trucks, short-line railroads) to sensitive documents and expensive/unique items (air cargo, couriers) can be moved easily and efficiently to and from Indiana.

The Indiana workforce already leads the trucking and warehouse/distribution subsectors, with 60 percent higher employment in warehousing and storage establishments relative to the country average and long distance trucking over twice the national average. A workforce of 250,000 well-versed in the ins-and-outs of the industry, combined with customizable training options and high-quality university programs, provide a nearly unbeatable labor advantage. Creative and innovative firms find prosperous niches in the state, from Morales Group's specialized Latino job placement for TDL firms, to Langham's customized full-service supply chain management.

The state of Indiana also pursues an aggressive infrastructure plan, investing billions for the future: a \$1.1 billion upgrade to Indianapolis Airport is underway, \$2.8 billion in new highway construction in the next 10 years (over and above previously earmarked funds), \$57.8 million to Gary Airport, and brand-new intermodal port financing authority. The expansion of the I-69 artery will connect the NAFTA superhighway through southwest Indiana, sparking excellent cross-continental opportunities for local industries. Regional planning, including the Fort to Port highway artery from Fort Wayne to Toledo, and the Midwest High-Speed Rail Initiative add to Indiana's considerable TDL assets.

Top TDL Players in Indiana

- FedEx
- Triple Crown Services Co.
- Bulkmatic Transport Co.
- Sodrel Trucklines
- Duke Realty Corp.
- FedNav
- Consolidated Terminals & Logistics Co.

Indiana's TDL industry will not only accelerate the state's economy, improving incomes and opportunities for Indiana residents, but it will also play an indispensable role in moving the industry forward nationally.

TDL in Indiana

- 14 interstate highways—more intersecting highways than any other state
- Within a 500-mile radius of more than 82 million people
- Ranks ninth among all states for railroad mileage
- Ranks 14th in waterborne shipping
- Maintains more than 680 airports, including the second largest hub on the FedEx airfreight network
- TDL employs more than 90,000 Indiana residents in over 600 companies
- 15 percent of all U.S. freight touches Indiana
- Indiana's own Celadon Trucking Services is one of the top 10 truckload carriers operating in the U.S., Mexico and Canada



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Education

Several institutions are developing curricula involving TDL, including:

- Ball State University
- Ivy Tech Community College
- Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne
- Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
- University of Indianapolis
- Purdue University is leading an initiative to create a multi-university research and teaching center in partnership with industry, government and academia
- Indiana University is developing a logistics technology center focused on Radio Frequency Identification Tags
- Indiana State University is working on a packaging center

